

June 16, 2010 - Special Town Council Meeting

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Middletown, RI, held at the Middletown Town Hall on Monday, June 16, 2010 at 5:00 P.M.

Council President Christopher T. Semonelli, Presiding

Vice Chairman Richard Cambra

Councillor Frank A. Bozyan, arrives at 5:15pm

Councillor M. Theresa Santos

Councillor Edward J. Silveira, Jr.

Councillor Robert J. Sylvia

Councillor Barbara A. VonVillas, Members Present

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Wendy J.W. Marshall, Town Clerk

Town of Middletown

Town Hall – 350 East Main Road

Middletown, Rhode Island 02842

Dear Mrs. Marshall:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 203 of the Town Charter and in accordance with Sections 42-46-2., 42-46-4. and 42-46-6., RIGL, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Town Council to formally consider, discuss and act upon the following items of business:

Application of Flat Waves, LLC dba Flat Waves, 1130 Aquidneck Avenue for a Victualling House License for the 2009-2010 licensing year. (NEW)

Application of Myxuan Xa dba Sunrise Restaurant, 823 West Main Road for a Victualling House License for the 2009-2010 licensing year. (NEW)

Review and approve civic appropriation subcommittee's recommendations.

Review changes to spending and services and determine necessary parameters for preparation of budget documents and matters related thereto – All Funds.

a. General Fund

- b. Parks & Recreation Fund**
- c. Refuse & Recycling Fund**
- d. Capital Improvement Program**
- e. Sewer Fund**
- f. School Unrestricted Funds**
- g. School Restricted Funds**

Said meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at 5:00 P.M. at the Middletown Town Hall, 350 East Main Road, Middletown, Rhode Island 02842.

Christopher T. Semonelli,

President

Middletown Town Council

CC:

Town Council

Public Library

Finance Director

Town Administrator

Town Solicitor

IT Director

Human Resource Manager

Town Planner

Tax Assessor

Public Works Director

Building Official

Police Chief

Fire Chief

Senior Director

Recreation Director

School Department

This meeting location is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requiring interpreter services for the hearing-impaired should notify the Town Clerk's Office at 847-0009 not less than 48 hours before the meeting.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive said communication.

Also present were Town Administrator Shawn Brown, Finance Director Lynne Dible, Deputy Finance Director Marc Tanguay and Accounting Manager Deborah Barrett.

Councillor Silveira recused himself from acting on the following two items of business, items #1 and #2, due to a conflict of interest, business related.

1. Application of Flat Waves, LLC dba Flat Waves, 1130 Aquidneck Avenue for a Victualling House License for the 2009-2010 licensing year. (NEW)

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to grant said license, contingent on Building Official, Fire Marshal, Board of Health and Public Works approvals.

2. Application of Myxuan Xa dba Sunrise Restaurant, 823 West

Main Road for a Victualling House License for the 2009-2010 licensing year. (NEW)

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to grant said license, contingent on Building Official, Fire Marshal, Board of Health and Public Works approvals.

3. Review and approve civic appropriation subcommittee's recommendations.

At the June 7, 2010 Special Meeting of the Council, the Civic Appropriation Subcommittee recommended level funding, approved in the last budget year, individually, no new requests are to be funded.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to receive and approve said recommendations from the civic appropriation subcommittee.

4. Review changes to spending and services and determine necessary parameters for preparation of budget documents and matters related thereto – All Funds.

h. General Fund

i. Parks & Recreation Fund

j. Refuse & Recycling Fund

k. Capital Improvement Program

l. Sewer Fund

m. School Unrestricted Funds

n. School Restricted Funds

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to review changes to spending and services and determine necessary parameters for preparation of budget documents and matters related thereto- All Funds.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown noted the budget adjustment sheet entered here:

Mr. Brown noted the tax rate is at 2.3% without changes to the motor vehicle exemption, which includes \$400,000 to be appropriated to the school.

General Fund

Discussion centered around the allocation of funds to the schools,

wireless communications, painting and custodial responsibilities, JFK school, beach income, generating income within the Town, the Pay As You Throw Program, Town Unions, and residents volunteering.

Parks and Recreation

Discussion centered around the beach fund subsidizing the general fund.

Refuse and Recycling

No discussion.

Capital Improvement Program

No discussion.

Sewer Fund

No discussion.

School Unrestricted Funds

No discussion.

School Restricted Funds

No discussion.

Town Administrator Shawn Brown reviewed the motor vehicle exemption noting the amount can be set between \$500. and \$6,000. Mr. Brown reviewed the tax rate information sheet entered here:

Discussion centered around collection rates, number of vehicles affected by exemption rate change, residents' ability to pay, and types of vehicles.

On motion of Councillor Silveira, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to set the motor vehicle exemption at \$3,000.

On motion of Vice Chairman Cambra, duly seconded, it was voted unanimously to adjourn this meeting at 6:10 P.M.

Wendy J.W. Marshall, CMC

Council Clerk

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